

Bluffing his way through?

Bai Yi was startled, and she continued to listen to what Lin Fan had to say.

"I've met Li Xiong once in the past, and I had given him a lesson back then. That was why he did not attack us when he saw me. As for the fall of Qin Group, I have no clue how it happened. After all, I don't even know anyone in Yunhai City, and I haven't made any phone calls or sent out any texts!"

What Lin Fan said made a gleam shine in Bai Yi's eyes.

That was right!

She had been by Lin Fan's side all this while, and she had not seen him whip out his phone, much less make any phone calls. That also meant that the downfall of Qin Group had nothing to do with Lin Fan at all, and it was all just a big coincidence.

At that thought, Bai Yi finally heaved a sigh of relief.

She was rather afraid that her husband was really someone who could bring about the downfall of a large corporation with just a single word. If that were the case, she could not imagine how she would deal with it.

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At that moment, when Lin Fan saw how relieved his wife was, he couldn't help but smirk. That was only the destruction of a second-tier company in a third-tier city, but it had already shocked Bai Yi to such an extent.

He truly believed that if his wife knew that he could make any great power or force in this world vanish with just a few words of his, she would be extremely shocked.

"It looks like it will be a long time before she can come to terms with it!" Lin Fan mumbled to himself.

Bai Yi caught it and was surprised as she asked curiously, "Lin Fan, what do you mean, a long time?"

"N-Nothing!" Lin Fan smiled awkwardly, then changed the subject immediately. "Darling, where should we go next?"

When Bai Yi heard his question, she immediately recalled what had happened today, and an irritated and sad look appeared on her beautiful face. She then lamented, "*Sigh*... I have offended my aunt greatly today! She must be very angry with me right now!"

A bitter smile formed on Bai Yi's face.

Her aunt was one of the relatives that treated her

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well, but she hadn't expected that her visit today would bring about such a horrible situation, and that she would actually disgrace her aunt—on her birthday, nonetheless!

However, right after she said that, her phone rang.

"Is aunt calling me?"

When Bai Yi saw the caller ID on her phone, she was startled, thereupon the bitterness on her face grew even more intense. "She's probably calling me to give me a good scolding!"

Bai Yi looked at her phone anxiously. She really wanted to pick up the phone, but she didn't dare do so.

When Lin Fan saw that, he seemed to have thought of something and grinned while suggesting, "Darling, why don't you answer it? If you don't answer the phone, how would Aunt Yuzhi express her gratitude to us?"

What?

Gratitude?

Bai Yi looked at Lin Fan as though he was a madman. She had paid her aunt a visit today with Lin Fan, but she had made a fool out of herself in front of them, and she was sure they hated both of them to their guts, so why would they thank them?

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Was this not simply just a bunch of nonsense?

Bai Yi did not believe Lin Fan at all, and she glared at the culprit in front of her before she toughened up and picked up the phone. "Hello? Aunt, I'm so sorry about what happened today—"

Huh?

Just as Bai Yi wanted to apologize deeply to Shen Yuzhi, she was surprised to hear an excited and trembling voice from the other end of the phone. "B-Bai Yi? It's my fault, and I would like to apologize and express our gratitude on behalf of my family!"

When Bai Yi heard what her aunt said, she felt very shocked. Both of her eyes widened as she couldn't believe her ears.

"A-Aunt? What are you saying?"

Bai Yi was stunned, and when she saw Lin Fan half-smiling beside her, she felt like she had just seen a ghost.

She hadn't expected that the ever auspicious Lin Fan would say something that would come true again—her aunt had indeed called to express her gratitude.

"Bai Yi, I am really thankful toward you! I never thought that the gift that both you and your

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husband has given me would be so valuable! I-I don't know how to express my excitement and gratitude!" The voice of Shen Yuzhi from over the phone sounded as though she had just won the lottery that was worth a few ten millions, and it was trembling as she stuttered out her thanks.

That one phrase made Bai Yi dumbfounded. *A valuable gift?*

Since when had she and her husband given her aunt a luxurious gift? They had only brought some ordinary nutritional products for her today, and just before they left, Lin Fan had given her an unsightly painting. However, it didn't matter whether it was the nutritional products or the painting, because both of it certainly had nothing to do with the valuable gift.

The corners of Bai Yi's mouth twitched, and she felt as though she were in a dream.

Just when she thought that things were weird, she heard the nervous voice that belonged to her aunt call out once more. "Bai Yi, we want to express our gratitude to both you and Lin Fan, so we've just made a reservation at the Golden Age Hotel. We would like to invite you and your husband to have dinner with us! Will... you guys attend?"

The voice on the other end of the phone sounded very worried and expectant.

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But that wasn't all!

Bai Yi could also hear the nervous murmurs coming from her aunt's husband, Zhu Zhide, and her cousin sister's husband, Zhang Kaiming, over the phone.

They seemed to treat both herself and her husband... with respect?

Bai Yi was very surprised, for she hadn't expected that her aunt's family behavior would be completely different from before, but she still nodded and said, "Okay, we will head to the Golden Age Hotel right now!"

"Great! That's great! Thank you, Bai Yi! Thank you for giving us the opportunity to express our apologies and gratitude to you guys! We shall meet at the entrance of the Golden Age Hotel later. See you there!"

Even after she hung up the phone, Bai Yi still had not recovered from her surprise.

"L-Lin Fan! What is going on? Aunt is actually thanking me!" Bai Yi's beautiful eyes stared blankly at Lin Fan.

She hadn't expected that things would actually turn out this way.

Did her aunt's family really want to invite them to

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dinner to express their gratitude? Just what were they thanking them for?

Bai Yi did not understand.

Lin Fan turned to look at Bai Yi and he couldn't help but smile when he saw the surprised expression on her face. "Darling, don't think too deeply about it. Perhaps they just felt like they have wronged us, which is why they decided to invite us to dinner!"

As he said that, Lin Fan began to navigate to the Golden Age Hotel.

"Is that really so?"

Bai Yi stared at her husband. She couldn't accept the explanation that he had given, and for some unknown reason, she had a strange nagging feeling that this matter had to be related to Lin Fan in one way or another.



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Golden Age Hotel was one of the most upscale hotels in Yunhai City.

It provided catering services and accommodation, and it also had a large and fanciful entertainment center.

After Bai Yi and Lin Fan parked their Mercedes in the parking lot of Golden Age Hotel, they were immediately greeted by Shen Yuzhi and her family, who had all arrived at the location a while ago.

When the family caught sight of Lin Fan and Bai Yi, they hurriedly jogged over to welcome them.

“Bai Yi, you guys have arrived!” exclaimed Shen Yuzhi with a big smile on her face.

That was not all!

Shen Yuzhi also kept stealing glances at Lin Fan, and there was a complicated look in her eyes; gratitude, respect and awe were prominent in her gaze.

Just as Bai Yi was about to respond, much to her surprise, she saw Zhu Zhide, Zhu Ru, and Zhang Kaiming bow down in reverence to herself and Lin Fan.

“Bai Yi, it was my fault for looking down on you and Lin Fan in the past. I hope that both you and Lin Fan wouldn’t mind my mistake! I’m very sorry

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about it!"

"Bai Yi, I'm also sorry. I shouldn't have been such a snob just now, and I shouldn't have mocked you! I'm really sorry about that!"

All three of their voices were shaky as they apologized.

When she saw the scene before her, Bai Yi felt as though her brain had turned into mush.

They had actually bowed and apologized?

Were these really still the cold Zhu Zhide and the unkind Zhu Ru and Zhang Kaiming from half an hour ago?

They seemed to have morphed into a whole new person.

Moreover, Bai Yi had noticed that the three of them seemed to be bowing to Lin Fan, and not herself.

Bai Yi thought that the idea was rather absurd and inconceivable.

After all, Lin Fan had greatly offended this family just now. He had broken their vase, and he had also given them a horrible painting as a present. Each of those things were enough to make them grit their teeth in anger whenever they saw Lin Fan,

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so why were they bowing to him now? It was something that simply wasn't possible.

Those thoughts had only surfaced in her head for a second, and she had already walked over to them in the meantime and helplessly asked, "Uncle, Zhu Ru! Wh-What are you guys doing?"

Bai Yi had never expected that her aunt's family would actually become so respectful.

After all, in the past, both Zhu Ru and Zhang Kaiming had always hated herself and Lin Fan. Now, not only were they respectful toward them, but Bai Yi could also see some traces of fear on their faces.

"Alright! We are all family here, so Bai Yi will surely not blame you guys anymore!"

At that moment, Shen Yuzhi walked over and glanced discreetly at Lin Fan who was next to Bai Yi again. Then, she said, "Bai Yi, Lin Fan, Zhide has just booked a table at Golden Age Hotel! Let's go! We're going to eat dinner, and we can chat as we eat!"

At that, the tense and awkward atmosphere dissipated slightly, and they headed toward the Golden Age Hotel.

On the way there, Zhu Zhide kept engaging Lin Fan in idle chatter, and he spoke to him in a very polite

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and respectful manner. Very soon, they arrived at the lobby of the Golden Age Hotel, where many people were already in line.

“Lin Fan, Bai Yi, this is the Golden Age Hotel which is owned by Golden Age Group, which is in turn owned by Global Group! Therefore, this place is always packed with people! We will need to queue for a while!” Zhu Zhide said as he smiled awkwardly at Lin Fan.

Lin Fan obviously didn't mind, so all of them waited patiently in line.

Very soon, the guests who were ahead of them in the queue were attended to and seated in the restaurant, and when Zhu Zhide was just about to claim his table at the counter, he saw a middle-aged fat man with and a hot lady clad in revealing clothing walk up to the counter.

“Cai Zongdun! You made it!” exclaimed the lady receptionist at the counter with great enthusiasm.

“Yeah! Give me a table right now!” The middle-aged man was arrogant as he gave orders to the receptionist.

When the receptionist heard that, she hurriedly said, “Cai Zongdun, this is our last table, number 88! Please, you may enter now!”

What?!

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When Shen Yuzhi and her family heard what the receptionist said, their facial expressions changed to one of displeasure, for they had booked a table at the restaurant under the number 88, and they had been waiting in line for a while. Yet, to their dismay, not only had the receptionist allowed this middle-aged man to skip the queue, but she had also given their reservation away to this fat man.

In that instant, Shen Yuzhi and her family looked angry and dissatisfied.

“Miss! We were here first! We have also reserved Table 88, so how could you just give it away to some random person?!” exclaimed Zhu Zhide sternly at the receptionist.

To Zhu Zhide, Lin Fan was a very terrifying man, especially since his very own family had offended him before. They wanted to properly convey their sorrows and apologies to Lin Fan, and they wanted to take this chance to resolve matters between them. However, he hadn’t expected that their table would be taken away from them before they even had the chance to sit down and eat.

When both the receptionist and Fatty heard what Zhu Zhide said, they were surprised and sized up Zhy Zhide and his family. When they saw that they were dressed ordinarily and were obviously not any kind of big shots, a look of disdain began to form on their faces.

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“Excuse me, Sir, but this is Golden Age Hotel, and we are free to assign the tables to whomever we wish!” said the receptionist, who didn’t care about Zhu Zhide. To her, Fatty was the one whom she needed to please.

She wasn’t the only one who felt that way!

Fatty who stood to the side also narrowed his eyes at Zhu Zhide and chuckled coldly before saying, “Yeah, so what?! Are you unwilling to give the table to me?”

Such arrogance!

Zhu Zhide and the rest of them had not expected that they would come across such arrogant and pompous people like the receptionist and Fatty at such a prestigious place like Golden Age Hotel.

In an instant, Zhu Ru became livid, and she yelled at the receptionist angrily, “Of course we are unwilling to do so! We were the ones who reserved this table first! On what basis should we surrender it to you?!”

“That’s right! If you people are going to be this unreasonable and forcibly take away our table from us, then just be aware that we are going to file a complaint against you!” agreed Zhang Kaiming.

A complaint?

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When Fatty heard what Zhang Kaiming said, a furious expression grew on his face, but just as he was about to retort, he caught sight of Bai Yi who was amongst them. "H-How beautiful!"

A strange glimmer of light shone in the eyes of the Fatty, and a mischievous grin formed on his face. He said, "Do you guys want to have this table?"

Hmm? Zhu Zhide and the rest of them were startled, for they hadn't expected that the anger of Fatty would actually dissipate that quickly.

"That's right! That table has belonged to us since the very beginning!" Zhu Zhide responded in rage.

When Fatty heard that, the grin on his face grew more and more evil as he said, "Alright! I'll let you have your table!"

What?!

Zhu Zhide and the rest of them were surprised, and a look of joy flitted past their faces immediately.

However, the joy on their faces disappeared as quickly as it had surfaced when they heard what Fatty said next. "Ah, but I have one condition. That hot chick has to accompany me to dinner!"

As he said that, Fatty pointed at Bai Yi.